

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:  
Dale R. Du Bois  
Serial No. 10/521,619  
Filed: January 14, 2005  
For: *Thermal Processing System and  
Configurable Vertical Chamber*

Art Unit: To Be Assigned  
Examiner: To Be Assigned  
Confirmation No. 2146  
Dated: February 6, 2006

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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF PERIOD FOR RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of five (5) months within which to respond to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed July 5, 2005, bringing the period for response to February 5, 2006. As the five month period of response fell on a Sunday, this petition is timely filed on February 6, 2006, the next business day. The extension fee of \$2,160.00 for a Large Entity is included in the Fee Transmittal Sheet. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Order No. A-71748/MSS (463035-770)).

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Respectfully submitted,

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